

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

-vs-

Criminal Action No.
24-00116-01-CR-W-DGK

LEONARD J. HIGGINS,

Defendant.

**MEMORANDUM OF MATTERS DISCUSSED AND
ACTION TAKEN AT PRETRIAL CONFERENCE**

The following matters were discussed and action taken during the pretrial conference:

PENDING CHARGE: Felon in Possession of a Firearm in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§
922(g)(1) and 924(a)(8)

TRIAL COUNSEL:

Government: Robert Smith

Case Agent: Detective Gary Davis, Platte County, Missouri Sheriff's Office

Defense: Ronna Holloman-Hughes and Paralegal Cache Williams

OUTSTANDING MOTIONS: None

ANTICIPATED MOTIONS: Defense will be requesting a bench trial, the Government does not
oppose the request

TRIAL WITNESSES:

Government: 2-3 with stipulations; 5-7 without stipulations

Defense: 1 witness including Defendant who() will
(x) may
() will not testify

TRIAL EXHIBITS:

Government: 20 exhibits

Defense: 5 exhibits

DEFENSES:

(x) defense of general denial

() defenses of general denial and _____

POSSIBLE DISPOSITION:

(x) Definitely for trial

() Possibly for trial

() Motion to continue to be filed

() Likely a plea will be worked out

TRIAL TIME: 2.5 days for jury trial; 1 day for bench trial

Government's case including jury selection: 2 days; for bench trial: 1 day

Defense case: .5 day for jury trial; 1 hour for bench trial

STIPULATIONS: Will be discussed between the parties, including prior felony conviction and the interstate nexus of the firearm

UNUSUAL QUESTIONS OF LAW: None

FILING DEADLINES:

Witness and Exhibit Lists:

Government: January 27, 2025

Defense: January 27, 2025

Counsel are requested to list witnesses in alphabetical order on their witness list.

Exhibit Index, Voir Dire, Jury Instructions: January 27, 2025

Jury instructions must comply with Local Rule 51.1

Motions in Limine: January 27, 2025

TRIAL SETTING: Criminal jury trial docket commencing February 10, 2025.

Please note: Government counsel has an immovable conflict during the second week of the February trial docket and therefore requests a setting the first week of the February trial docket. Defense counsel has no conflicts.

OTHER:

() A _____-speaking interpreter is required.

() Other assistive devices: _____

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ Jill A. Morris

JILL A. MORRIS

United States Magistrate Judge